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In re Application for:

Penneau et al.

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POROUS COMPOSITE PRODUCT, IN PARTICULAR WITH A HIGH SPECIFIC SURFACE, PREPARATION PROCESS AND ELECTRODE

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to Rule 1.97, Applicant desires to make of record the references set forth on the attached Form PTO 1449 which were cited in a search report dated August 6, 1998 and September 18, 1997 of the corresponding French application. Enclosed is a copy of the search report which indicates the degree of relevance found by the foreign office where documents cited as category X are deemed relevant when taken alone; documents cited as category Y are deemed relevant when taken in combination with another reference; documents cited as category T are directed to the theory or principle underlying the invention and documents cited as category A are deemed relevant as technological background. Copies of these references are submitted herewith.

It is hereby stated that this Information Disclosure

Statement is being filed prior to the issuance of the initial

office Action, therefore no petition or fee is required. However, in the event a petition is needed for consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement, Applicant hereby so petitions. Please charge any additional fee due to Deposit Account 02-2666.

Respectfully submitted,

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